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City Project Leads To Unique Curriculum

The right collaboration can lead to a unique educational approach.

Such was the case recently when the City Commission recognized students from Stranahan High School's Engineering Magnet Program. Students engaged in a unique mentoring initiative led by representatives from WaterWorks 2011, the City's Water and Wastewater Capital Improvement Program.

While partnering with schools is not new for the City of Fort Lauderdale, utilizing an ongoing project to positively impact the quality of education in our City is a new endeavor.

The Stranahan Engineering Magnet Program is an intensive four year curriculum that is designed to provide students with real world design and research experience while preparing them for entrance into a College Level Engineering Program.

During this past school year, the City's utility engineering consultant CH2M Hill and City staff integrated the

capital improvement program into the curriculum of Stranahan's engineering program.

Participating students were given an opportunity to learn about WaterWorks 2011 and the types of careers associated with a program of this nature. They also learned how to read engineering drawings and prepare final plans and designs for review; visited project sites under construction and prepared a construction bid package.

Ultimately, students were grouped into teams and competed in a bid process as mock companies preparing to do business in a realistic setting with the guidance of WaterWorks 2011 representatives and City staff. The competition attracted the attention of the state and was designated one of Florida's 18 Best Business and Education Partnerships. The Florida Department of Education's Office of Workforce Education in cooperation with the Florida Chamber of Commerce recognized the WaterWorks 2011 Bid

Competition this month at a luncheon in Orlando. On behalf of the Commission, congratulations to all the students who participated; Stranahan High School Principal Egle Gallagher; instructors responsible for the program James Payne and David Platt; CH2M Hill and City staff.

This endeavor represents a major achievement which will benefit our students for years to come. I urge interested students and parents to contact Stranahan High School for information on next year's program.

The initiative highlighted the ongoing commitment to education that the City and partnering consultants CH2M Hill strive for, while ensuring that WaterWorks 2011 planned utility infrastructure improvements were carried out. As a model approach positively impacting our local educational system, the program proved effective for students and teachers by providing quantitative and qualitative results.



Bank Of America Starlight Musicals Take To The Stage Beginning June 25

Fort Lauderdale's summer tradition of dancing beneath the stars to the tunes of South Florida's hottest bands at Holiday Park is back.

The 26th Annual Bank of America Starlight Musicals run from June 25th through July 30th. The Friday evening concerts take place from 7 to 10 p.m. at Holiday Park, located at U.S.-1 and Sunrise Boulevard. At press time, the schedule of performers was being finalized. Bring your friends, family and neighbors in addition to your favorite picnic foods, baskets, beverages, blankets and chairs. No pets are permitted. Ample free parking is available. For additional information, please call (954) 828-PARK (7275).

If you would like this publication in an alternate format (large print, audio tape), contact Leslie Backus at (954) 828-4747 or email lbackus@fortlauderdale.gov.

Acting City Manager's Message



Alan A. Silva

Goals For Fiscal Year 2005 Budget

The summer months are typically associated with vacation and down time. In sharp contrast, that is not the case for City government. During the months of June and July, staff is engaged in finalizing the upcoming fiscal year budget in preparation for presentation to the community and City Commission.

At this time, City staff and I determined several goals and objectives to establish a realistic budget that will incorporate community needs, finance non-discretionary items such as pensions and insurance payments, re-establish a reserve level, create a stabilization fund and ensure adequate contingency amounts. I would like to share some of the goals already established.

If we are to rehabilitate our financial status, one-time revenues from sources outside the General Fund will most likely be replaced by a tax increase or an increase in the fire assessment fee. The financial needs of the City in the coming year cannot be realized by growth alone

and revenues must be projected conservatively.

Part of the City's budget is funding for the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). City CIP projects are for recapitalization and reconstruction of existing City facilities which are necessary to meet community service needs and maintain quality of life. Under the guidance of the City Manager and approval of the City Commission, the CIP is assembled each year by the Capital Improvement Committee. The proposed budget allocates approximately \$5 million for recommended traditional and transportation CIP projects that meet commission approved criteria. Among those projects are ADA (American's With Disabilities Act) improvements; Police, Fire-Rescue and Parks and Recreation facility repairs; funding for neighborhood and business improvement projects; transportation projects including street resurfacing and street light maintenance; and speed hump installations in neighborhoods. Also

included in this year's CIP budget request will be dollars to begin the rehabilitation of the historic South Side School on South Andrews Avenue.

With this budget plan, we will make certain the positions we have are fundable to ensure that no furloughs or layoffs are required once the budget is passed. On another positive note, we have turned the corner on the health insurance part of the insurance fund deficit. Adjustments to the plan as well as employee contributions have made significant strides in reducing this deficit. Other insurance areas that are a part of the insurance fund are workers compensation, police liability, general and vehicle liability and employer practices. We will need to finance the insurance fund in these areas to eliminate the approximate \$14 million deficit over a two-year period. In the coming weeks, City staff and I will prepare the proposed budget. The City Commission will hold a budget workshop in June prior to the formal presentation of the proposed budget in July.

New City Clerk Appointed Brings 28 Years Of Experience To City

Jonda K. Joseph has joined the City of Fort Lauderdale as the new City Clerk.

Joseph, a 28-year veteran in the public sector, was hired by the City Commission from Lauderdale-By-The-Sea where she served as Town Clerk for 16 months. Joseph also served as City Clerk of Coral Springs for nearly 21 years.

Joseph is a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and Florida Association of City Clerks. She has an Associates of Arts from Broward Community College and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Management at Florida Atlantic University.

Joseph, originally born in Indiana, grew up in Michigan and has lived in South Florida for 30 years. She enjoys cooking and playing golf and is an avid football and basketball spectator.

"I consider it a privilege to be associated with such a dynamic city and a superb professional staff," Joseph said. "I am committed to making the transition of a new clerk seamless."



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Citizen Input Sought On ADA Accessibility Improvements To Sidewalks

The City of Fort Lauderdale invites citizens to identify and request accessibility improvements for the disabled to public sidewalks and intersections located within the City's jurisdiction and control.

The City will include such locations on a prioritized list of sidewalk and intersection locations that require improvements to meet American's With Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines.

For more information, please contact Barbara Howell, Engineering Technician, at (954) 828-5734 or email Bhowell@fortlauderdale.gov. Notices may also be mailed to:

**Barbara Howell, Engineering
Technician, City of Fort Lauderdale
100 N. Andrews Avenue, 4th Floor
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

Sign Up To Receive Agenda Notices Electronically

In an effort to streamline operations, maximize technological resources and improve cost efficiency, the City of Fort Lauderdale is no longer sending paper copies of the City Commission meeting agendas.

Instead, citizens can download agendas for the City Commission Conference and Regular meetings from the City's website (www.fortlauderdale.gov/documents/agenda.htm) and download the agendas which are posted as PDF (Portable Document Format). To read and print the agendas, online users must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is also available for free on the website. City Commission agendas are posted online the Friday prior to the scheduled meeting. Citizens can receive instant meeting notifications when the agendas are posted by sending an email request to:

webmaster@fortlauderdale.gov.

Exceptional Citizens Recognized



*From time to time,
extraordinary individuals
go above
and beyond
the call of duty,
making a difference
in their community.
Four individuals
were
recognized at the 30th
Annual Citizens
Recognition Awards*

Appearing from left to right are Honored Founder W. George Allen, Exemplary Employee Former City Employee Lucy Kisela, Distinguished Citizen Robert B. Lochrie, Jr. and Citizen of the Year William G. Crawford.

Since 1975, the City of Fort Lauderdale has recognized 77 outstanding individuals whose remarkable vision, generosity, commitment, dedication and talent have enhanced the strength and effectiveness of the community and its endeavors. Last month, three extraordinary citizens and a former City Clerk left a mark of distinction during the 30th annual Citizens Recognition Awards - one of the highest honors that the City can bestow. The following honorees were recognized:

Distinguished Citizen

Robert B. Lochrie, Jr., has served as one of the champions of the Broward Performing Arts Foundation since its inception generating support from the private sector. Mr. Lochrie was instrumental in raising \$35 million for the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and served as a member and chairman of the Performing Arts Center Authority during the center's construction. Among his many community involvements, he is a trustee of the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation, president of Bonnet House and president of Colee Hammock Homeowners Association for two terms.

Citizen of the Year

William G. Crawford has been an active community leader for more than 20 years by serving numerous social and cultural organizations. He is a founding member of Habitat for Humanity of Broward, Inc.; has served as a member of the Broward County Historical Commission since 1983; has served as a trustee of the Museum of Art; and is in his 10th year as a trustee of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society while serving as president for the third consecutive year.

Honored Founder

W. George Allen, a 1962 graduate of the University of Florida Law School, moved to Fort Lauderdale in 1963 where he practices law. He has represented local government agencies including Broward County and the City. His civic contributions include United Way of Broward and the Broward Expressway Authority. Professional affiliations include National Bar Association; Broward County Bar Association and Broward Community Foundation of Broward.

Exemplary Former City Employee

Lucy Kisela, who joined the City in 1984, served as City Clerk for the past 10 years. In March 2003, she led Fort Lauderdale's election process and coordinated with other Broward cities to assist the Supervisor of Elections office. Kisela was dedicated to her post with professional affiliations including National Association of Female Executives, the Broward County Clerk's Association, and the Florida Association of City Clerks. She was also a frequent volunteer with the City's Citizen Volunteer Corps.

Community Appearance Board Toasts Stellar Properties, Environmental Stewardship

The 26th Annual Community Appearance Awards took center stage at the African American Research Library and Cultural Center in May showcasing entries by homeowners, neighborhood associations, architects, developers and builders.

An inspiring collection of exquisite reconstructions, fascinating exteriors, lovingly labored landscapes and divine new developments emerged as the innovative stars of this spectacular showcase.

A total of 19 bronze plaques were presented to the winning properties designated as outstanding in urban design.

The following owners were honored for preserving and protecting a valued tree species and contributing to the appearance of Fort Lauderdale.

City of Fort Lauderdale

Species: Tabebuia
Argentea
Bubier Park



Pavlik Family Ltd.

Species: Wild Tamarind
N.W. Corner of Broward
Boulevard and Federal Highway

Elzalene Sullivan

Species: Kapok
1121 S.E.
9th St.



Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

Species: Kapok
425 S.W. 9th St.

City of Fort Lauderdale

Species: Black Ironwood
Median of 1331 Ponce de Leon

St. Jerome Catholic School

Species: Kapok
2601 S.W. 9th Ave.

Cabi Developers

Species: African Rain Tree
S.W. 4th Avenue/New River

City of Fort Lauderdale

Species: Southern Live Oak
Riverwalk
across
from
Bubier
Park



New to this year's awards ceremonies were two designations: The Tree Stewardship Awards and the Pioneer of the Year Award. The Tree Stewardship Awards honored the caretakers of protected trees in the City of Fort Lauderdale. The Pioneer Award recognizes a property that stands out for making a positive impact in the community and surroundings. The following is a list of the 2004 Community Appearance Awards winners.

Institutional - Renovation

Stranahan House - 335 S.E. 6th Ave.

Parks and Recreation - New Construction

Palm Aire Park - 6401 N.W. 21st Ave.

Retail - New Construction

Alpine Jaguar - 6606 N. Andrews Ave.

Special Projects - Renovation

Harbor Beach Entranceway -
Harbor Beach Parkway and A-1-A

Landscape/Garden Waterfront

Casa Del Rio - 1431 Middle River Dr.

Waterfront

Brosche/Testa Residence -
816 S.W. 12th Ave.

Special Projects - New Construction

Lauderdale Beach Guardhouse -
3403 N.E. 27th St.

Commercial Low Rise - New Construction

Firefly - 945 E. Las Olas Blvd.

Commercial Low Rise - Renovation

Chima - 2400 E. Las Olas Blvd.

Multi-Family Low Rise - New Construction

Meridian - 15 S.E. 15th Ave.

2004 WOW of the Year Award

Jeffrey & Vilma Breidbord Residence

The WOW Award is a monthly program that recognizes residential properties throughout the City for contributing to the aesthetic appeal of the neighborhood.



Pioneer Award

Old Progresso Village
N.W. 1st Ave. &
N.W. 7th St.



Property of the Year

Publix at
Las Olas
601 S.
Andrews Avenue



Multi-Family Low Rise - Renovation

Vista Del Sol - 65 Hendricks Isle

Multifamily High Rise - New Construction

La Cascade - 615 Bayshore Dr.

Landscape/Garden - Residential

Grabiec Residence - 909 Avocado Isle

Single Family Residence - New

Construction (2,000 - 4,000 Sq. Ft.)
Hartford Residence - 412 N.E. 12th Ave.

Single Family Residence - Renovation

(2,000 - 4,000 Sq. Ft.)
Hodor Residence - 1701 S.E. 4th St.

Single Family Residence - New

Construction (More than 4,000 Sq. Ft.)
Caritas Residence - 1520 S.W. 15th Ave.



Eleven Fort Lauderdale Neighborhoods Showcased At NUSA Conference In Hollywood

The City Fort Lauderdale served up a strong presence at the 29th Annual Neighborhoods USA Conference in May.

Although the four day conference was hosted by the City of Hollywood, 11 Fort Lauderdale neighborhoods were showcased as examples of successful special assessment projects. Neighborhoods featured were Sailboat Bend, South Andrews Business District, Central Beach Alliance/Fort Lauderdale Beach, Galt Ocean Mile, Galt Ocean Shoppes, BridgeSide Square, N.E. 33rd Avenue, North Beach Square, Harbour Isles, Harbour Inlet and Harbour Beach. Neighborhoods USA is a national non-profit organization committed to building and strengthening neighborhood organizations. NUSA encourages networking and information sharing to facilitate the development of partnerships between neighborhoods, government and the private sector. For information on this year's conference or for information on opportunities to attend next year's conference, contact Marisol Lotito at (954) 828-8954 or email MLotito@fortlauderdale.gov. For more information about NUSA or online resources, log on to www.NUSA.org.

Grants Applications Available To Spruce Up Communities

Have a neighborhood association project that you'd like to tackle but can't afford? Could your business association's exterior benefit from an aesthetic enhancement? Neighborhood and business associations can apply through July 29, 2004 for matching grants to improve their surroundings.

The Neighborhood Capital Improvement Program (NCIP) and Neighborhood Capital Improvement Grant Program (NCIGP) have kicked off the 2004 - 2005 Fiscal Year Grant Cycle. Through July 29, neighborhood associations are encouraged to apply for up to \$35,000 of matching funds for the construction of capital improvements that beautify neighborhoods and enhance overall quality of life. To apply for an NCIP/NCIGP grant, neighborhood associations must be registered with the State of Florida as not-for-profit corporations and must have been operating in the City

of Fort Lauderdale for a minimum of one year at the time of application.

Business associations are encouraged to apply for the Business Capital Improvement Program (BCIP) and Business Capital Improvement Grant Program (BCIGP) through July 29. Business associations can apply for matching grants of up to \$25,000 to fund capital improvement projects that will enhance the appearance of the City's business and commercial areas. The BCIP/BCIGP may award up to \$100,000 in funding per year based upon the quality of the projects. Examples of previously funded business capital improvement projects include entranceway signage, streetscapes, decorative lighting, sidewalks, curbing and brick paver crosswalks. BCIP/BCIGP applications are being accepted from business associations that are registered with the State of Florida as not-for-profit corporations and

that have been operating in the City of Fort Lauderdale for a minimum of one year at the time of application.

To download an NCIP/NCIGP or BCIP/BCIGP grant application, log on to www.fortlauderdale.gov and select one of the links under the "What's New?" heading that read "*NCIP/NCIGP Grant Cycle, May 3 - July 2*" or "*BCIP/BCIGP Grant Cycle, May 3 - July 29*."

All completed applications, including all supplemental materials, must be received by the City's Engineering and Architectural Bureau, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, no later than 4:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 2004.

For more information about any of these programs, please contact Marisol Lotito, NCIP/NCIGP and BCIP/BCIGP Program Manager at (954) 828-8954 or email MLotito@fortlauderdale.gov.

Tri-Rail Enhancements Along North Fork of New River Begin

Construction work on Segment 5 of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) /TriRail Double Track Corridor Improvement Program has begun along the North Fork of the New River and railroad tracks right-of-way (ROW).

Construction is expected to last through the summer months and should not involve any road closures or impact traffic. Segment 5 is part of the "final phase" of double tracking remaining, approximately 45 miles of the South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC). Construction activity has been authorized for Monday through Saturday from approximately 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., however, it is not anticipated that all of the hours will be utilized.

Once completed, the Segment 5 project will allow SFRTA/TriRail to expand commuter rail service to relieve South Florida's congested highways, while providing improved connectivity and a seamless transit experience. When completed in 2005, the project will enable Tri-Rail to run 20-minute headways (the time between trains) during morning and afternoon rush hour.

For more information, please contact South Florida Regional Transportation Authority/TriRail Customer Services Representatives at (800) TRI-RAIL (954-874-7245) or (888) GO-SFRTA (888-467-3782). You can also log onto www.tri-rail.com or www.sfrta.fl.gov.

Setting The Standard Among Public Service Professionals

A group of Public Services employees took top honors in a state competition that annually tests the expertise and skills of treatment plant operators to safely and effectively operate their facilities.

By taking top honors at the Florida Water Environment Association (FEWA) Operator's Challenge, the City of Fort Lauderdale team known as the "Lauderdale Knights" set the standard for other wastewater professionals of municipal, county and private facilities to follow.

Over the past four years, the City of Fort Lauderdale has participated in and won the Operator's Challenge. The competition consists of five separately timed events that include safety, laboratory, process control, collections, and maintenance. The events are designed to demonstrate and test their professional skill levels.

The "Lauderdale Knights" have achieved the highest ranking in the State of Florida for the past four years. The ranking qualifies them to compete again this year in the national competition sponsored by the Water Environment Federation (WEF) being held this October in New Orleans, LA.

"I'm very proud of the accomplishments of our staff. Competing and winning against top professionals in the State of Florida strengthens their confidence in their abilities, said **Mike Just**, City of Fort Lauderdale Regional Wastewater Facilities Manager. The citizens we serve should feel comfortable knowing their utility services are provided by employees



The Lauderdale Knights are shown at top setting the standard in the safety event.



The Lauderdale Knights are shown in action during the timed maintenance event.

recognized by other professionals as the best the state has to offer."

The City's five-member team is comprised of employees from various divisions of the Public Services Department. Team members include Team Captain **John McGeary** and **Scott Hull**, from George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant; **Keith Hutchison** and **Carlton Grate** from Distribution and Collection; and **James Crawford** from the Laboratory. Three additional City employees, **Joe Heyward**, from Distribution and Collection, **Pat Joyce**, Public Services Training Specialist, and **Art Saey**, Distribution and Collections Supervisor played an important role in the competition through either coaching the team or judging events.

"In addition to working hard on our normal duties, the team demonstrated its dedication by spending their own personal time preparing for the competition," McGeary said.

Judging for the events is based on time, safety, proper equipment use, rescue, repair procedures, installation, and numerous other criteria inherent to their profession.

"There is no other form of external recognition employees in the wastewater field can collectively receive," said **Mike Bailey**, Assistant Utilities Services Director of Operations. "This wastewater treatment industry is something that the public agrees it needs but is often taken for granted. The work done by these employees has protected the environment and public health for many years."

Reduce Stormwater Pollution By Planting Drought, Pest Resistant Plants

What would the City of Fort Lauderdale be without its water? The waterways all contribute to making this city what it is - the Venice of America.

However, just having water is not enough. If it is polluted or unattractive it is no longer an asset. The single most dangerous threat to clean waterways is polluted stormwater. This summer help reduce stormwater pollution by adopting the following xeriscape principals and selecting native plants that are drought and pest resistant.

* Divide your landscape into three areas: natural zone for plants than can survive on rainwater; low water zone for plants that are "drought-tolerant" and moderate zone that requires regu-

lar watering and should be limited to accent areas.

* Select the right plant for the right area. Reserve native plants for the natural zones. Low water zones can have native and cultivated plants that are drought-tolerant. Limit plants with lots of color to the moderate zone.

* Analyze the soil. Determining the pH of your soil can help you decide what plants would do best. Also, adding organic matter can enrich the soil and its ability to retain moisture.

* Have limited turf grass area.

* Water your landscape wisely.

* Use mulches as substitute for ground cover.

* Properly maintain your landscape.



2003 Water Quality Report Released

The City of Fort Lauderdale is pleased to provide you with the 2003 Water Quality Report to inform you about the water we deliver to you every day. This report contains information about the City's water source, water supplies, the treatment process and the contents of your drinking water. The City of Fort Lauderdale routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws, rules and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003. Data obtained before January 1, 2003, and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with laws, rules, and regulations.

The results outlined in this report show that City of Fort Lauderdale water does not contain any substances that may be harmful to your health and meets all federal and state requirements. These results are reported to Fort Lauderdale water customers and surrounding cities that use our water.

The City of Fort Lauderdale has been providing water to the community since 1926. We are committed to continually improving the water treatment process, protecting our water resources and providing our customers with a clean, dependable supply of high quality drinking water.

Drinking Water Sources and Contaminants

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- ◆ **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- ◆ **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- ◆ **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- ◆ **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- ◆ **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is

safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at **(800) 426-4791**.

Special Health Concerns

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at **(800) 426-4791**.

How to Read The Water Quality Table

The Water Quality Table includes the most important information in this brochure. It displays the results of thousands of laboratory tests conducted on the City of Fort Lauderdale's water.

The EPA sets a maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG) that indicates the level below which there is no known health risk. The EPA also sets a maximum contaminant level (MCL) that is considered a safe level for drinking water. Both the MCLG and MCL levels are shown in the 2003 Water Quality Table to the right.

A comparison of the highest level of any regulated standard to EPA levels shows that your water's test results are within the limits set by the EPA. *City of Fort Lauderdale water exceeds EPA requirements.*

Types of Tests Performed

The City of Fort Lauderdale processes approximately 50 million gallons of water per day. Each year, more than 40,000 tests are performed in state-certified laboratories to ensure that City of Fort Lauderdale water exceeds federal requirements for safe drinking water. Water tests include:

- Daily bacterial and chemical tests on finished water leaving the City's water treatment plants;
- Weekly bacterial quality tests of water throughout miles of water pipes;
- Quarterly testing of water supply wells, under the Broward County Wellfield Protection Program, for various inorganic and organic compounds.

2003 Water Quality Table

In 2003, the City of Fort Lauderdale staff sampled approximately 150 sites per month and tested for up to 86 drinking water parameters as required by the regulations.

The Water Quality Table below provides a summary of the test results and shows that very few of those parameters were found in your drinking water, and all were below EPA acceptable levels. The City of Fort Lauderdale is proud to announce that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements.

Terms and Definitions To Know

The following definitions explain abbreviations used in the Water Quality Table:

Action Level or **AL** is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or **MCLG** is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level or **MCL** is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Not Detected or **ND** indicates that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

Parts per Million or **ppm** is one part by weight of analyte to one million parts by weight of the water sample.

Parts per Billion or **ppb** is one part by weight of analyte to one billion parts by weight of the water sample.

For More Information

For more information about this report, for questions about your water quality, or to obtain additional copies of this report, please call the City of Fort Lauderdale Public Services Department at (954) 828-8000. The Water Quality Report can also be found on the City of Fort Lauderdale web site at www.fortlauderdale.gov.

Microbiological						
Parameter and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Highest Monthly Percentage	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source
Total Coliform Bacteria	1/1/03 to 12/31/03	N	2.6	0	<i>For systems collecting at least 40 samples per month: presence of coliform bacteria in 5% or more of monthly samples</i>	<i>Naturally present in the environment</i>

Highest monthly percentage is the highest monthly percentage of positive samples for systems collecting at least 40 samples per month.

Inorganic							
Parameter and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source
Fluoride (ppm)	1/1/03 to 12/31/03	N	0.91	0.901-0.91	4	4	<i>Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth, discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories</i>
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	6/03	N	0.274	0.211-0.274	10	10	<i>Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits</i>
Nitrite(as Nitrogen) (ppm)	6/03	N	0.378	<0.008-0.378	1	1	<i>Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits</i>
Sodium (ppm)	6/03	N	34	23-34	N/A	160	<i>Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil</i>

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)							
Parameter and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source
TTHM (Total Trihalomethanes) (ppb)	Feb., June, Aug., Nov./2003	N	62.2	33.1-85	NA	MCL=100	<i>By-product of drinking water disinfection</i>

Samples taken up to December 31, 2003 had a MCL of 100. As of January 2004, the MCL has been reduced to 80, which will be reflected in next year's Water Quality Report.

Lead and Copper (Tap Water)							
Parameter and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	AL Violation Y/N	90th Percentile Result	No. of Sampling Sites Exceeding the AL	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source
Copper (tap water) (ppm)	6/02	N	0.066	0	1.3	1.3	<i>Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives</i>
Lead (tap water) (ppb)	6/02	N	ND	0	0	15	<i>Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits</i>

None of the 55 lead and copper tap samples exceeded EPA action levels. Sampling will be conducted again in 2005 as mandated by the USEPA Lead and Copper Rule.

July
is



Parks & Recreation



Month

July is Parks and Recreation Month, but why not celebrate all summer long?

The City of Fort Lauderdale parks and community buildings offer a perfect setting for every activity. Recreation, parks and local programs contribute to lifelong learning, a healthy mind and body, as well as personal and family development.

Don't miss the 4th of July celebration at the beach, the Suntrust Jazz Brunch, and the 26th Annual Bank of America Starlight Musicals.

If summer camps, swimming hours at community pools or recreational activities is what you are looking for, the Parks and Recreation Department has options for you to consider. For a listing of available camps and programs, call the Parks and Recreation Department at **(954) 828-PARK (7275)** or log on to www.fortlauderdale.gov.

What Activity is Right For Your Child

Not sure which activity is best for you child? The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department wants to ensure that your child enjoys the summer. Ask yourself these questions to aid in your decision:

- What is my child interested in? Does he/she want to stick with one sport or participate in several ones?
- What can I afford in time, money and commitment?
- What is the coach's philosophy? Do we share the same values and beliefs about sports? Does this coach enjoy working with athletes at my child's level?

Summer Camps, Activities Filling Fast Make Arrangements Now

Summer is here and Fort Lauderdale is the place to be.

The City of Fort Lauderdale has several summer camps and programs available for all ages. The programs are limited to citizens of Fort Lauderdale only. Parents are asked to call for space availability. Here are just a few activities to consider.

* Learn, create and grow at **Camp Kuumba** for children in grades 1st through 6th. Camp runs June 21 through July 30, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration fee is \$240 for the six-week camp or \$60 for children who qualify under the Youth Enrichment Scholarship (YES). The YES registration fee is available for applicants who are Fort Lauderdale residents and on the free or reduced lunch program. Applicants must bring proof that the child is in a reduced or free lunch program and proof of residency. Proof can include a voucher issued by the Broward County School Board, a letter from the school or the child's report card. All fees are due at the time of registration. Camp Kuumba will take place at Bass Park, 2750 N.W. 19th St. and at Lauderdale Manors Park, 1340 Chateau Park Dr. Call **(954) 828-8945** for information at Bass Park, and **(954) 828-5412** for information about Lauderdale Manors Park.

* **Camp T.A.G. (Teen Athletics and Games)** is for City of Fort Lauderdale students entering 7th through 12th grade at Dillard High School, located at 2501 NW 11th St. Enjoy swimming, special events, sports, fitness, lunch and snacks from June 21 through July 30. Camp hours are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Cost of Camp T.A.G. is \$15 for the entire session. For more information, call **(954) 828-8943**.

To find out about availability at other camps and programs, call the Parks and Recreation Department at **(954) 828-PARK (7275)**.

Summer Food Program Offers Children Free Lunch at Recreational, School Sites

The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the **Summer Food Service Program for Children** at nine recreation and school sites throughout the City during the months of June and July. Lunch and an afternoon snack will be served at most sites from June 21st - July 30, 2004.

The program is similar to the National School Lunch Program, providing nutritionally balanced meals to children regardless of race, color, sex, disability, creed, religion, handicap, age, or national origin, during summer vacation when school breakfasts and lunches are not available. All children 18 years old and younger, both enrolled and non-enrolled, are eligible for lunch and/or an afternoon snack at no charge.

Call the Parks and Recreation Department at **(954) 828-5383** to find out the meal service hours. The following sites will be participating in the Summer Food Program:

Site	Location
Bass Park Community Center	2750 N.W. 19th Street
Riverside Community Center	500 S.W. 11th Avenue
Croissant Park Recreation Center	1800 S.W. 4th Avenue
Lauderdale Manors Recreation Center	1340 Chateau Park Drive
Warfield Park Recreation Center	1000 North Andrews Avenue
Sunrise Middle School	1750 N.E. 14th Street
Stranahan High School	1800 S.W. 5th Place
Mizell Center	1409 N.W. 6th Street
Mills Pond Park (tentative program site)	2201 NW 9th Avenue

For more information about the Summer Food Program, please contact **MaryAnn Slough** in the Parks and Recreation Department at **(954) 828-4611**.

Riverside Residents Honor Neighborhood Heroes At Grand Opening of Community Center



Charles and Irene Radford were honored at Riverside's Community Center opening.

Riverside Park has a new facility to call their own honoring their most beloved of activities.

In April, the Charles and Irene Radford Community Center opened its doors at Riverside Park. The 3,300 square foot facility was designed to meet the needs of the community featuring a large multi-purpose room perfectly suited for community gatherings, a warming kitchen, office space, storage space and a unique 702 square-foot covered outdoor activity area.

As residents of Riverside park since the late 1970s, Charles and Irene Radford dedicated their efforts to improving the community. They were instrumental in turning the neighborhood around when the Association was revitalized in the late 1980s and they were leaders in advocating that the parks bond use money for Riverside Park.

"It is safe to say that, without the Radfords, there would be no new pavilion in Riverside Park," wrote Dave Marshall, President of Riverside Park Residents Association in a letter to the Parks and Recreation Department.

The construction at Riverside Park is a part of the City of Fort Lauderdale's \$35 million Parks Bond Program in conjunction with funding received from a Challenge Grant in the amount of \$441,370 from the Broward County Safe Parks Bond Referendum.



Learn To Swim At Fort Lauderdale's Premier Swimming Facility



Don't let this summer go by without learning how to swim.

The Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Complex is offering the following Learn To Swim Sessions for all levels of swimming including infant water orientation; Level 1 basic swimming

lessons for children 3 to 5 years of age; Level II beginner classes for children 4 years and older; and Level III introducing object retrieval in chest deep water, diving from side of pool in kneeling position, elementary backstroke, reverse direction, and basic safety skills.

Sessions cost \$60 per student. The following dates are available: Session II: June 7 - 18; Session III: June 21 - July 2 (This is a nine-day session with no class on Friday, June 25); Session IV: July 6 - 16 (This is a nine-day session with no class Monday, July 5th; and Session V: Aug. 9 - 20 (Note: A one week class will take place during Session V for Level III participants Aug. 9 - 13). For more information at the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Complex, call (954) 828-4580. The Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Complex is located on Fort Lauderdale Beach just two blocks south of Las Olas Boulevard between the IntraCoastal Waterway and A1A.



Greening The Gateways To Fort Lauderdale

In a few short months, the I-95 at Sunrise Boulevard interchange will transform into a new ecosystem, thanks to a multi-agency partnership that will add new color, vegetation and thousands of trees and plants to the now stark gateway into Fort Lauderdale.

To launch the project's first phase, Mayor Jim Naugle joined county officials, state dignitaries and Broward Beautiful organizers in a groundbreaking ceremony that unveiled a new sign at the southeast intersection of I-95 and Sunrise Boulevard. Officials also celebrated with a ceremonial planting of the first three gumbo limbo trees. Broward Beautiful is an advisory board appointed by the Broward County Commission, dedicated to beautification and litter control throughout Broward County.

The City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Broward Beautiful Program, and the Florida Department of Transportation partnered to formulate a plan to re-landscape the interchange. The I-95 at Sunrise Boulevard Gateway project will serve as a pilot program for other intersections by taking an innovative approach to revitalizing the appearance of the interchanges. The project, part of the Greening Gateways Initiative, will be implemented in a phased approach. The City has committed in-kind landscape design services and will manage the project's installation. Partnering agencies have committed \$460,000 to the project's first phase. As a result, the project will increase the shade tree canopy; create sustainable, low maintenance plant communities; demonstrate effective use of a diverse palette of native plant species and incorporate xeriscape concepts. For information on the Greening Gateways Initiative, please call (954) 357-6684.



Mayor Jim Naugle speaks of the positive impact of the project at the sign unveiling.



Online Alarm Registration Available

The City of Fort Lauderdale Alarm Ordinance requires that each alarm system (residential and non-residential) be registered with the City.

In an effort to meet user needs, a new online application has been initiated on the City's website making registering, renewing and even paying alarm, service fees convenient, fast and easy right from your home or work computer.

Alarm registration forms are available online by

1- Logging onto the City's website, www.fortlauderdale.gov,

2- Clicking on the "Quick Links" hyperlink located on the top right side of the page, and select Alarm Registration.

3- Selecting one of the following options:

► "Register an Alarm" - (Registration fees must also be paid on this link.)

► "Renew Alarm Registration" - (Renewals cannot be accepted until January 1, 2005. All alarm users must pay the initial registration fee of \$50, if they have not done so previously in 2004.)

► "Pay Alarm Service Fees" - (Visa and Mastercard are the only acceptable forms of payment online.)

Citizens can also obtain registration forms from the Records Division of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, located at 1300 W. Broward Blvd.

The initial residential and non-residential registration fee for an alarm system is \$50, with an annual renewal fee of \$25. Registrations are required to be renewed each calendar year. The \$25 Alarm Registration Renewal is to be paid by January 31st of each subsequent year.

Residential and non-residential alarm users who fail to register their alarm systems are in violation of the Alarm Registration Ordinance, and are subject to penalties of up to 60 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine, if prosecuted.

The goal of the alarm ordinance is to help reduce the number of false alarm activations and subsequent police and fire department responses.

The fee implementation is to offset the costs associated with these false alarm responses.

False alarms are more than an inconvenience. They take up the time and resources of emergency personnel who may be needed to respond to a real emergency or other immediate call for service.

At the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department, officers respond to more than 165,000 calls for service each year. Police officers are dispatched to more than 30,000 alarm responses, which is more than 18 percent of the total calls for service. Nearly

95 percent of all these alarm calls are either accidental or the result of a system malfunction. Furthermore, approximately 18 percent of those false alarms are cancelled by the alarm monitoring company, although an officer had already been dispatched to the location. When properly used, alarm systems are an effective crime prevention tool. However, the high false alarm rate reduces the overall effectiveness of the alarm system and places a great burden on public safety.

For additional information on the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department Alarm Registration Program, logon to www.fortlauderdale.gov; or call the Alarm Unit at (954) 828-6429. Questions may also be directed to the alarm unit via email, alarmunit@fortlauderdale.gov.

Fees and Requirements

False alarm services fees are as follows:

- There are no fees for the first two (2) false alarms within any 12-month period.
- A service fee of \$50 is levied for each police response to the same residential premise in excess of two (2) times within any 12-month period.
- A service fee of \$100 is levied for each police response to the same non-residential premise in excess of two (2) times within any 12-month period.

20th Community Police Academy Class Set To Begin In August

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department is registering applicants for the 20th Community Police Academy scheduled to take place in August.

The Community Police Academy provides citizens with hands-on experience about the daily operations of the City's law enforcement agency. This popular program is free to the community. Participants meet on Wednesdays, 6:30

p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, 1300 W. Broward Blvd. for 14 weeks.

Topics covered include Community Policing, officer selection, recruiting, drug enforcement, special investigations, range/firearms and communications. Additionally, an eight-hour ride along with Patrol Officers is available. Participants develop a greater under-

standing for what it means to serve as a police officer and how the Police Department operates.

Citizens interested in attending must complete an application which can be downloaded from the City's website (www.fortlauderdale.gov/police/cpa.html). Applications can also be obtained from the Police Department, or by calling the Training Unit at (954) 828-6428.

Protecting Your Auto From Theft

Crime prevention strategies are as diverse as the communities they serve. In all cases, it takes the cooperation of the community to make them successful.

Thanks to a few tips, the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Auto Theft Squad recently recovered a collector's automobile that had originally been stolen 24 years ago.

In July 2003, the FLPD Auto Theft Unit received several emails and telephone calls from Corvette Car collectors who observed a 1966 Corvette for sale on the online marketplace EBAY. Collectors believed that the car was possibly stolen. After an investigation, the Corvette was located and determined to have altered identification numbers. The car was identified as a theft that took place in 1980.

"Ultimately, solving crimes and crime prevention have to be a city wide effort," said Auto Theft **Sgt. Steve Lerman**. "It takes the dedication of citizens to work with police to help prevent these crimes of opportunity, and it takes observant citizens to be the ears and eyes for potential crimes."

The Cost of Auto Theft

Stolen cars, vans, trucks and motorcycles cause economic hardship for victims, increase everyone's insurance premiums and may be used to commit other crimes.

National statistics show that 60 percent of automobiles reported stolen are recovered. City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department estimates that approximately 75 percent of vehicles reported stolen are recovered. Further research reveals that a majority of vehicles stolen are crimes of opportunity where keys were left in the vehicle, or vehicles were left unlocked, running and unattended.

Fighting Auto Theft

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department Auto Theft Unit reminds its citizens of several measures to take to help reduce the chances of auto theft.

- * Always lock your car.
 - * Never leave your car with the keys in the ignition unattended. Owners frequently leave automobiles unattended to pay for gas or warm up their engines. Chances are that an observant criminal will use this opportunity to steal your car.
 - * Consider purchasing an auto theft deterrent, such as "The Club" or a tracking device or GPS system. A tracking device or GPS system would increase the odds of recovering your car if it is stolen.
 - * Have your vehicle windows vin-etched with the VIN (vehicle identification number).
 - * Register for the CAT (Combat Auto Theft) Program, which provides owners with a yellow sticker from the Auto Theft Unit. The program authorizes any police officer to stop your automobile for the purpose of identifying the driver and occupants from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- For additional information, contact the Auto Theft Unit at **(954) 828-5505**.

First Female Sergeant Elected By Peers To Chair State Panel

In May **Sgt. Dorris Dee Seibert** and the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department celebrated two milestones.

Sgt. Seibert is the first female law enforcement official to be elected to serve as a member of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission. What makes her appointment additionally unique, is that she is the first law enforcement officer in her rank and file to be elected as chairperson by other higher ranking officials to lead the commission.

The commission is a 19-member panel with legislative powers that defines minimum employment qualifications, certifications, re-employment, revocation and training of criminal justice officers and corrections officers in the state. As Chairperson, Sgt. Seibert will represent the entire commission, which includes the Attorney General, Commissioner of Education, chiefs of police, sheriffs, law enforcement officers, corrections officers and directors to the Director of Florida Department of Law Enforcement. She will oversee quarterly meetings, as well as assign tasks forces and committees.

"I am very honored because I represent the rank and file of those officers who are out on the street as opposed to a high ranking official such as a chief of police or sheriff or director," said Sgt. Seibert. "When I was elected by higher ranking officials, it was that much more meaningful because it demonstrates the confidence they have in me to represent the panel."

Sgt. Seibert is a 26-year veteran of the City of Fort Lauderdale Police force. She holds an Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice. She served on patrol for the first 16 years of her career by choice. She then served as Sergeant of the Code Team for two years, followed by Sergeant of the Mounted Patrol Unit for eight years. She is currently a Patrol Sergeant in District I, serving the City's northeast sector.



Mark Your Calendar

Free Workshops Scheduled ... The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department has scheduled two free informational workshops titled Landlord Tenant Training on June 16 and June 21st. Both sessions will take place from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department, 1300 W. Broward Blvd. Topics include keeping illegal activity out of property; the Federal Fair Housing Act; Section 8 Housing; applicant screening; rental agreements, available city resources and more. For additional information, or to register, please call **(954) 828-6428**.

Citizens Crime Alert Topics ... The next series of Citizens Crime Alert of Fort Lauderdale, Inc. meetings will cover the following topics: July 6 - Summer Programs for At Risk Juveniles, August 3 - National Night Out Against Crime. For more information, contact Pat Mayers and leave your name and number at **(954) 763-7863**.

Around Town

Make It A Family Affair



Reserve the first Sunday of each month for the SunTrust Sunday Jazz Brunch. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., one can always find sun, fun, food, arts and crafts and five stages of great music. This concert series takes place in the heart of Downtown Fort Lauderdale along Fort Lauderdale's most scenic backdrop - the New River. For more information about SunTrust Sunday Jazz Brunch log on to www.fortlauderdale.gov/festivals.

July 4

Esplanade - Gary King

BCPA Arts Peck Courtyard - Universal Records Recording Artist Negroni's Trio

Connie Hoffman Gazebo - Karen Shane Quartet

Rotary Gazebo Greg - Reiter

Las Olas Riverfront - Prime Time Jazz Trio

August 1

Esplanade - Frank Hubbell's Jazz Band

BCPA Peck Courtyard - Abbey Rader & John McNinn Duo

Connie Hoffman Gazebo - Jauí Schneider Duo

Rotary Gazebo - Darryl, the flute man

Las Olas Riverfront - Samargia Jazz Trio

Help Raise Funds For Kids In Distress

Kids In Distress, a non-profit agency in Fort Lauderdale dedicated to the care and treatment of abused children, seeks community partners to take a step for kids.

Community partners, organizations, businesses and teams are encouraged to take part in the 2nd Annual 5K Walk on Saturday, June 19. The walk will begin at Huizenga Plaza. The goal of the walk is to raise \$60,000 by asking participating groups to raise \$1,000 per team. The team that raises the most money will lead the walk through downtown Fort Lauderdale. To become a sponsor, or to get involved, please contact the Kids In Distress Special Events Team at (954) 390-7620.

Kids In Distress incorporated in 1979 as a private, non-profit agency with a goal of providing early intervention and effective prevention and treatment for young abuse victims and their families in South Florida.

July 4th Fireworks In Planning Stages

Head to Fort Lauderdale Beach to celebrate Independence Day, Sunday, July 4. At press time, the City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation is in the planning stages of a spectacular fireworks display celebrating Independence Day that will be sponsored by



Comcast and The Lawyer's Group. The display will take place at 9 p.m. near Las Olas Boulevard and A1A. The 30-minute show will be shot off a barge in the ocean directly across from Las Olas Boulevard. So bring your beach chairs and blankets and enjoy the show. For additional information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (954) 828-PARK (7275)

Learn, Play Bridge

Play Bridge with one of the largest clubs in North America. The Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club, located in Holiday Park, offers a wide variety of games for all levels of play. Duplicate Bridge Masterpoint games take place Monday through Saturday at 12:30 and 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 1 p.m. Social Bridge is offered Monday and Thursday at noon and on Saturday at 12:15 p.m. Games are \$3 for members and \$4 for non-members. Lunch and dinner are available prior to games for a small donation. Bridge lessons are offered for all levels of play. For more information, please call the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club at (954) 761-1577.

Walk On the Wild Side At Snyder Park

In the heart of Fort Lauderdale sits a 93-acre park with ample picnic areas, recreational space and offerings to explore in this untouched natural setting.



Hike, fish and go boating with the Snyder Park Exploration Program. Learn about wildlife as expert speakers teach you about bird watching, wildlife endangerment and native plant identification. There is no other place like it where you can focus on the natural beauty and excitement that wildlife and nature has to offer. It's fun and educational for all ages. Nature exploration takes place on the second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. until noon. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6 to 12, and \$2 for groups of four or more. Children under the age of 5 are free. Snyder Park is located at 3299 S.W. 4th Ave. For more information, call (954) 828-4585. Upcoming topics include:

June 12 - Fishing

July 10 - Learn about Native Plants

August 14 - Boating

Get The Inside Track At the Museum of Art

Volunteers are the heart of the Museum of Art. The dedication and commitment of these giving individuals enable the museum to reach greater goals. Docents at the Museum of Art in Fort Lauderdale perform a critical and unique role in educating visitors on exhibits and by giving tours and answering questions in the galleries. Classes for docent candidates are planned for June and July for those who can volunteer their time on weekends and evenings. The classes will run roughly eight brief sessions, and meeting Thursday evenings from 5 - 7 p.m. Interested participants are asked to contact Holly Giuliano at (954)525-5500, ext. 241, or e-mail: hgiuliano@moafl.org for additional information on this opportunity and to become acquainted with staff. The Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale is located at the corner of Las Olas Boulevard and Andrews Avenue in the heart of downtown Fort Lauderdale's Arts and Entertainment District.

Become A Part Of History, Volunteer At Stranahan House

Volunteer as a docent for one of Fort Lauderdale's oldest historic homes which served as the City's first bank, trading post, post office, hotel and now a museum. A guided tour of Stranahan House is like a magical journey through time and you can become a part of it. Restored to its 1913 configuration, Stranahan House is a "must see" in South Florida and definitely a place to be a part of as a community volunteer. Docents, also known as guides, are currently needed to escort guests through the house and assist with educational tours. Training is easy, free and fun. To become a docent, call (954) 524-4736. Stranahan House is located at 335 SE 6th Ave. on the New River.



National Night Out

The 21th Annual National Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, 2004. National Night Out is a nationwide event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and is designed to raise the awareness of crime and drug prevention, generate participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood police and community partnerships, and to send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are fighting back. Along with traditional displays of outdoor lights, neighborhoods join to conduct a variety of events including crime walks. Additionally, members of both the Police and Fire Departments join in the neighborhood celebrations. To get organized and for more information, contact Pat Mayers and leave your name and number at (954) 763-7863.

Last Call For Summer Sports Camp

Last call to join the O'Brien Summer Sports Camp at the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Complex and Fort Lauderdale Beach. Under the direction of 2000 U.S. Olympic Coach Tim O'Brien and his staff, these recreational camps will feature a variety of water and beach activities for youth ranging 6 to 15 years of age. Participating campers will be divided into groups based on age and participate in activities including springboard and platform jumping and diving, snorkeling, volleyball, soccer, flag football, and more. All staff on site are safety certified. Sessions are held Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Summer Sport Camp schedule is:

Week #1 June 14-18	Week #2 July 5-9
Week #3 July 26-30	Week #4 August 2-6

Arrangements for early drop-off and late pick-up schedules can be made. Camp fees are \$170 per week, plus a one time \$50 registration fee. Discounts are available for those who register more than one child in a session or for those who sign up for multiple sessions.

To register, please contact Tim O'Brien at (954) 768-0093 or (954) 562-4115. Campers must be comfortable in water depths that exceed their height.

Discover Volunteering At MODS

Expand your horizons, develop outside interests, make new friends, and even discover a new talent. Volunteering comes in many forms at the Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS): ushering in the Blockbuster IMAX Theater, greeting MODS guests, teaching visitors about our living creatures in the reef tank or taking people on a "ride to Mars." If graphic design is your skill, that's great, we need creative minds. If office work is your cup of tea, there's plenty of administrative support work to be done. There's a job that fits everyone's skills, experience and interests. The Museum is located at 401 SW Second St., in the Arts & Science District, across from Riverwalk's Esplanade Park in downtown Fort Lauderdale, near the New River. To volunteer, contact Sharon Menish, Volunteer Coordinator, at (954) 713-0921 or email smenish1@mods.net.



Note: While we make every effort to include timely information, circumstances occasionally force changes to events listed. Please call the numbers listed prior to attending. Additionally, current events may cause delays in mail delivery of this publication. Should you receive this publication after an event has occurred please accept our apologies.

Visit Fort Lauderdale Online at www.fortlauderdale.gov



Hurricane Shelters Revised

In the April/May issue of Focus On Fort Lauderdale an incorrect listing of the approved American Red Cross shelters was inadvertently published. The shelters available in Broward County are located in the listing provided below. It is important to keep in mind that pets are not permitted in any shelter. Those persons located in low lying areas or beside tidal bodies of water should seek safety at one of the public shelters listed or a protected dwelling located outside of the evacuation zone. All mobile home residents must evacuate in PLAN A and PLAN B as designated below and in the map.

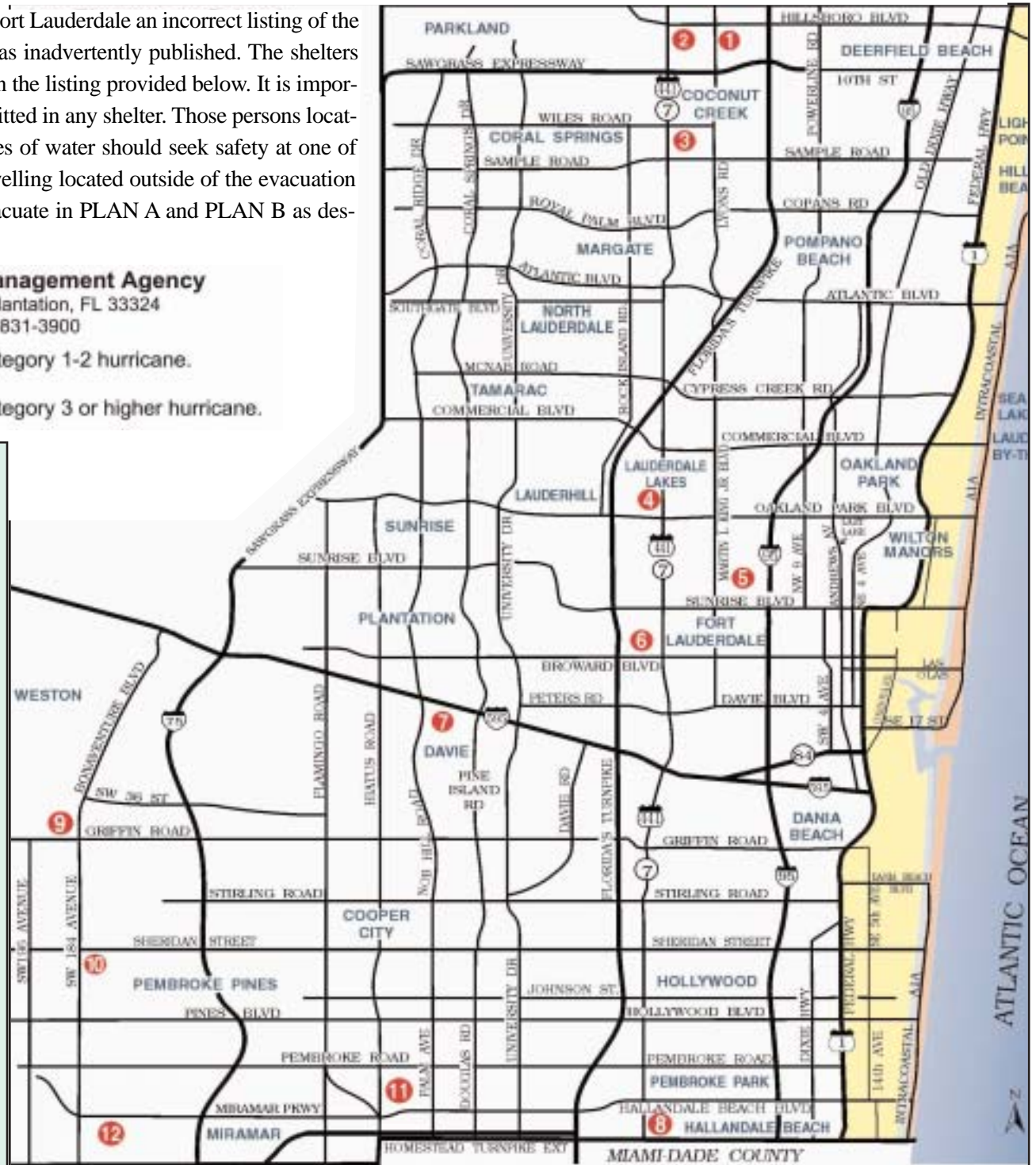
Broward Emergency Management Agency

201 N. W. 84th Avenue, Plantation, FL 33324

Telephone: 954-831-3900

-  **PLAN A** Typically a Category 1-2 hurricane.
-  **PLAN B** Typically a Category 3 or higher hurricane.

- 1) Lyons Creek Middle School
4333 Sol Press Blvd., Coconut Creek
- 2) Tradewinds Elementary School
5400 Johnson Rd., Coconut Creek
- 3) Monarch High School
5050 Wiles Road, Coconut Creek
- 4) Park Lakes Elementary School
3295 N. State Rd. 7, Lauderdale Lakes
- 5) Arthur Ashe Middle School
1701 NW 23rd Ave., Fort Lauderdale
- 6) Plantation Elementary School
651 N.W. 42nd Ave., Plantation
- 7) Fox Trail Elementary School
1250 Nob Hill Rd., Davie
- 8) Watkins Elementary School
3520 SW 52nd Ave., Pembroke Park
- 9) Falcon Cove Middle School
4251 Bonaventure Blvd., Weston
- 10) Silver Trail Middle School
18300 Sheridan St., Pembroke Pines
- 11) New Renaissance Middle School
10701 Miramar Blvd., Miramar
- 12) Everglades High School
17100 S.W. 48th Ct., Miramar



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